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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: Garvey et al

Application No: 09/512,829

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Group Art Unit: 1624

Examiner: D. Rao

PECE,

Nitrosated and Nitrosylated Proton Pump Inhibitor Compounds, Compositions-and

Methods of Use

Attorney Docket No: 102258.284

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, DC 20231

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

This Response is submitted in reply to the Office Action dated September 14, 2001, for which a response is due on or before December 14, 2001. No fee is believed to be due; however, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any necessary fees to Deposit Account No. 08-0219 to maintain the pendency of the present application.

Please amend the present application, without prejudice, as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Attached hereto as Appendix 1 is a copy of the amended Title of the Invention. Attached hereto as Appendix 2 is a copy of the amendment made to the Title of the Invention.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Attached hereto as Appendix 3 is a copy of the pending claims. Attached hereto as Appendix 4 is a copy of the amendments made to the claims.

I. Remarks

After entry of the amendment, claims 36-45, 50, 51, 59, 60, 64, 66, 68, 71, 72 and 79-84 are pending in the application.

The preamble of claims 36-45 has been amended to change "composition" to --method--. In view of the amendment to these claims, the dependency of claims 36, 39, 42 and 43 has been changed.